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§9–2101.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) “ASTM D6400 standard specification” means the standard specification for labeling of plastics designed to be aerobically composted in municipal or industrial facilities set by the American Society for Testing and Materials.
- (c) “ASTM D6868 standard specification” means the standard specification for labeling of end items that incorporate plastics and polymers as coatings or additives with paper and other substrates designed to be aerobically composted in municipal or industrial facilities set by the American Society for Testing and Materials.
- (d) “ASTM D5988 standard test method” means the standard test method for determining aerobic biodegradation of plastic materials in soil set by the American Society for Testing and Materials.
- (e) “Biodegradable mulch film” or “soil degradable ag mulch film” means a film plastic product used as a technical tool in commercial farming that biodegrades in soil after being used and meets the standards specified under § 9–2102(c) of this subtitle.
- (f) “Federal Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims” means the federal guides established by the Federal Trade Commission under Title 20, Part 260 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (g) “Film plastic product” means a bag, a sack, a wrap, or any other thin plastic sheet film product.
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  - (1) “Food or beverage product” means a product that is:
    - (i) Used for food and drink; and
    - (ii) Made of plastic or paper with a plastic coating.
  - (2) “Food or beverage product” includes:
    - (i) Containers;

- (ii) Food service ware and utensils; and
- (iii) Straws and lids.

(i) “ISO 17556 standard test method” means the standard test method means for determining the ultimate aerobic biodegradability of plastic materials in soil by measuring the oxygen demand in a closed respirometer or the amount of carbon dioxide evolved set by the International Organization for Standardization.

(j) (1) “Plastic product” means a product made of plastic, whether alone or in combination with another material, including paperboard.

(2) “Plastic product” includes:

- (i) A package or a packaging component;
- (ii) A film plastic product;
- (iii) A food or beverage product; and
- (iv) Any other plastic product or part of a plastic product.

(3) “Plastic product” does not include a personal care product regulated under Subtitle 20 of this title.

(k) “Vincotte” means the Belgian–accredited inspection and certification organization.

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